

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, March 1, 2019
9:00 AM PST

Day 1: Light showers and increasing winds possible for the Coastal and Inland Regions, but today will generally be a break between storm systems.

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

03/01/19 - 03/07/19

Today (Friday) - Drier

- Generally drier conditions are expected across much of California today, although some light showers are possible in the far northern portions of the Coastal and Inland Regions.

Friday Night-Saturday – Next storm

- Next weather system will start to move through the state tonight and continue through early Sunday. This system will move through the state faster than the previous storm and will track further south, bringing precipitation to basically the entire state.
- Rainfall amounts over the northern half of the state will be 0.30-0.60"; higher amounts expected over the southern half of the state, with amounts 0.75-1.50". Rainfall rates are not expected to exceed critical thresholds for debris flows.
- Heavy snow is expected across the Sierra, with snow levels around 5500 feet for the northern Sierra and 7000 feet for the southern Sierra; 1-2 feet accumulation possible. Road closures through mountain passes are expected.
- Winds gusts in excess of 40 mph over the mountains will result in reduced visibility in blowing snow and will make driving difficult.

Sunday-Monday – Break in storms

- Will see a much needed break in wet weather before the next system moves through.

Tuesday-Wednesday – Next storm

- This next system looks wetter than the weekend storm, with moderate to heavy rainfall expected at times. This will likely be another statewide storm, and could once again produce travel impacts, small stream/river flooding, urban flooding, and a chance of debris flows on recent burn scars.



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

03/01/19 - 03/07/19

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	Coastal/ Inland	Inland/ Southern			All Regions	All Regions	Inland
Snow		Inland	Inland		All Regions	All Regions	Inland
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding		Inland			All Regions	All Regions	All Regions
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)		Southern					
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)							
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow		Southern/ Inland			All Regions	All Regions	
Extreme Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



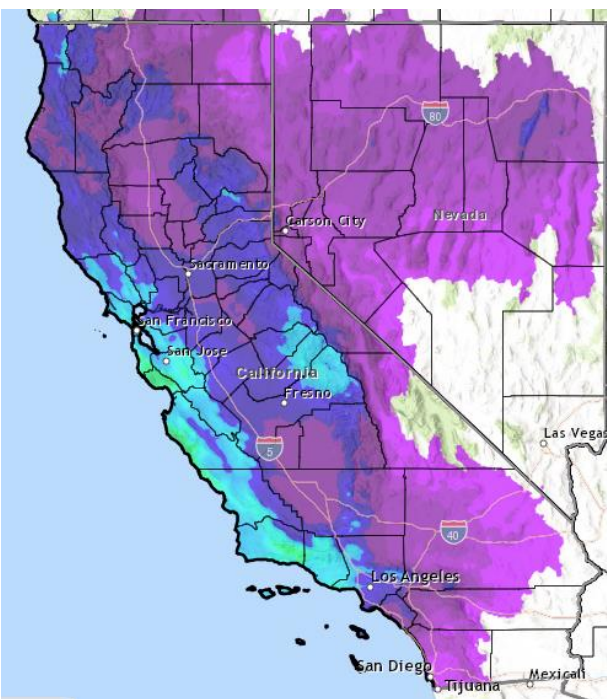
Moderate Impacts



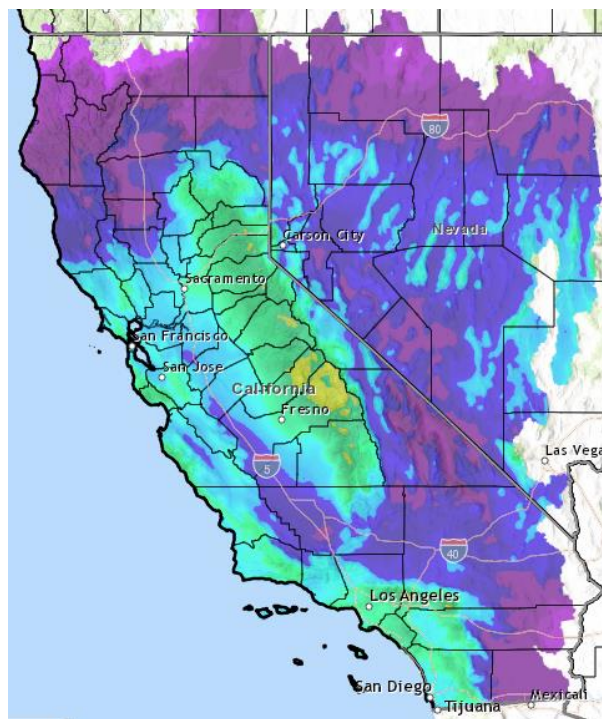
Severe Impacts

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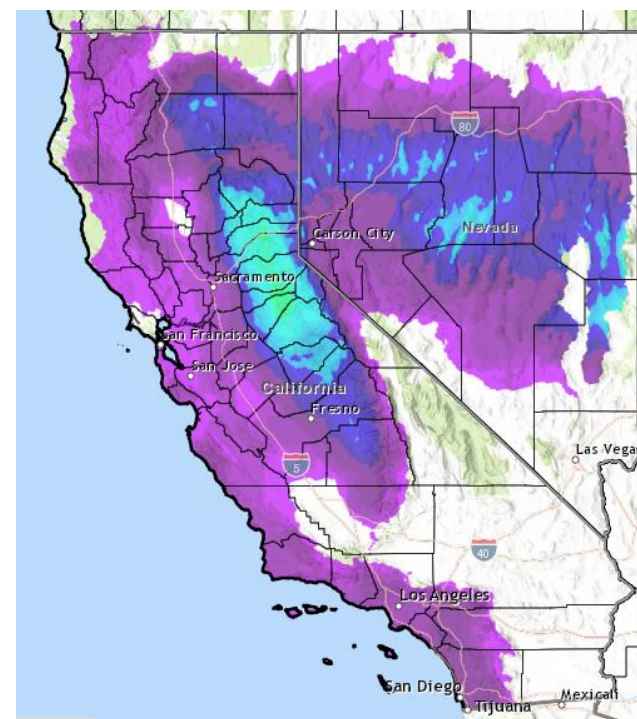
03/01 – 03/03



Friday and Friday Night



Saturday



Sunday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

03/06/19 - 03/14/19

6-10 Day Outlook (Mar 6 – Mar 10)

Temperatures

- Moderate confidence in below normal temperatures statewide

Precipitation

- Moderate to strong confidence in above normal precipitation statewide

8-14 Day Outlook (Mar 8 – Mar 14)

Temperatures

- Moderate confidence in below normal temperatures statewide

Precipitation

- Moderate to strong confidence in above normal precipitation statewide



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